

Amendment After Final Rejection
Application No. 10/695,643
Attorney Docket No. 032057

REMARKS

Upon entry of the above amendments, claims 1-5, 8-10 and 12-16 and 33 will be pending. Applicants proposed amendment of claims 1 and 9 to incorporate the allowable features of claim 7, and cancellation of non-elected claims 17-32. Entry of the amendment after final rejection places the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, entry of the amendments is earnestly solicited.

In the Office Action, claim 7 is indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The features of claim 7 are incorporated respectively into claims 1 and 9. Claim 9 contains the same features as claim 1. As such, claim 9 is also allowable for the same reasons as amended as claim 1.

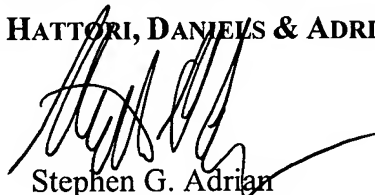
The above amendments render the outstanding rejections moot and place the application in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner deem that any further action by applicants desirable to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicants' undersigned attorney.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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